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. THIS MESSAGE TRANSMITS THE SUMMARY OF PRESS REPORTS
AND COMMENTARY PREPARED EACH DAY BY U.S. MISSION
BERLIN. IT INCLUDES REPORTS FROM NEWSPAPERS PUBLISHED
IN WEST BERLIN AND FROM THE MAJOR EAST GERMAN
NEWSPAPERS. MISSION BERLIN TRANSMITS THIS SUMMARY FOR
THE SPECIAL USE OF EMBASSY BONN AND WASHINGTON AGENCIES
WHO ARE REQUIRED TO FOLLOW DEVELOPMENTS IN BERLIN ON A
DAILY BASIS. IT IS NOT PART OF THE DAILY MEDIA REPORT
SERIES WHICH IS PRODUCED BY EMBASSY BONN FOR ALL OF WEST
GERMANY, INCLUDING WEST BERLIN.

REVIEW - WEST PRESS

. WEST BERLIN DAILIES HIGHLIGHT THE PLANNED
SHULTZ-SHEVARDNADZE MEETING IN WASHINGTON IN MID-JULY TO
CLEAR UP THE LAST DIFFERENCES OVER REMOVING INF'S FROM
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EUROPE (DER TAGESSPIEGEL); U.S. JUSTICE SECRETARY EDWIN
MEESE ASSURES THE FRG IN BONN OF U.S. ASSISTANCE IN AN
FRG TRIAL AGAINST ACCUSED LEBANESE HIJACKER HAMADEI
REGARDING ALL CHARGES AGAINST HIM (DIE WELT; DER

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TAGESSPIEGEL, BERLINER MORGENPOST FRONTPAGE); FRG CHANCELLOR KOHL'S BELIEF THAT CLOSER MILITARY COOPERATION WITH FRANCE CANNOT REPLACE NATO (VOLKSBLATT); BONN'S GREAT INTEREST IN PRESIDENT REAGAN'S PROPOSALS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN BERLIN'S AIR TRAFFIC (DER TAGESSPIEGEL); AND THE INCREASING NUMBER OF WEST BERLINERS WHO ARE BARRED FROM VISITING THE GDR (BERLINER MORGENPOST).

. OTHER PROMINENT NEWS INCLUDES FRG CHANCELLOR KOHL'S INSISTENCE ON EXCLUDING THE BUNDESWEHR'S PERSHING-1A MISSILES FROM THE U.S.-SOVIET GENEVA TALKS ON INF DISARMAMENT (DIE WELT); FRG PRESIDENT VON WEIZSAECKER'S STATE VISIT TO GREECE (DER TAGESSPIEGEL); INVESTIGATIONS INTO EXTENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE TO TREE LEAVES IN AUSTRIA AND BAVARIA (DER TAGESSPIEGEL); THE THYSEN STEEL COMPANY'S DECISION TO CUT 5,900 JOBS BY LATE SEPTEMBER (BERLINER MORGENPOST ET AL); GDR NERVOUSNESS OVER EAST GERMANY'S YOUNG CALLING FOR MORE FREEDOM (DIE WELT; ALSO BERLINER MORGENPOST PG.11); AND THE SED LEADERSHIP'S INFRINGEMENTS ON THE PROGRAM OF THE EAST BERLIN EVANGELICAL LAYMEN CONFERENCE (BERLINER MORGENPOST).

WEST BERLIN PAPERS ALSO REPORT:

. FRG CHANCELLOR KOHL TOLD THE CDU/CSU PARLIAMENTARY GROUP IN BONN THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WILL SOON TRANSMIT CONCRETE IDEAS REGARDING THE PROPOSALS WHICH PRESIDENT REAGAN SUBMITTED IN BERLIN FOR BRINGING THE UNCLASSIFIED

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TWO PARTS OF THE CITY CLOSER TOGETHER AND PARTICULARLY FOR IMPROVING BERLIN'S AIRLINE CONNECTIONS. KOHL SAID REAGAN'S PROPOSALS "CONTAIN DYNAMISM," ADDING "WE WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO USE THEM TO BERLIN'S ADVANTAGE" (DER TAGESSPIEGEL).

. THE SOVIET UNION FILED A PROTEST WITH THE THREE WESTERN ALLIES AGAINST A WEST BERLIN MEETING OF THE EXTENDED PRESIDUM OF THE EC PARLIAMENT IN LATE MAY. THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN EAST BERLIN ANNOUNCED TUESDAY IN ITS PROTEST THE FACT THAT FRG BUNDESTAG CHAIRMAN JENNINGER INVITED THE EC PRESIDUM TO WEST BERLIN, WHICH IS "OBVIOUSLY NOT IN ACCORDANCE" WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT. THE SOVIETS EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT A RECENTLY INCREASING NUMBER OF INCIDENTS

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WHERE FRG OFFICIALS TRIED TO ACT AS HOSTS FOR FOREIGN STATESMEN "OUTSIDE FRG TERRITORY."

. THE SOVIET ANNOUNCEMENT TO WESTERN JOURNALISTS OCCURRED AT THE SAME TIME THAT A DELEGATION OF THE SOCIALIST GROUP OF THE EC PARLIAMENT WAS VISITING EAST BERLIN (DER TAGESSPIEGEL).

. GOVERNING MAYOR DIEPGEN, EXPLAINING THE SENAT ANNUAL REPORT ON THE APPLICATION OF THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT, TOLD NEWSMEN HE BELIEVES THAT THE TALKS BETWEEN THE SENAT AND EAST BERLIN ABOUT IMPROVEMENTS IN THE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, EXCHANGE OF TERRITORY, AND BETTER COOPERATION IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC AREA WILL BE RESUMED. THE TALKS WERE DISRUPTED WITH THE CANCELLATION OF RECIPROCAL VISITS BY DIEPGEN AND HONECKER. DIEPGEN EXPECTS THE GDR TO RETURN TO THE

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DISCUSSIONS WITH THE TONE SET BY BOTH SIDES DURING THE PREPARATORY STAGES OF THE BERLIN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS.

. AS FOR THE GENERALLY POSITIVE DEVELOPMENTS DURING THE JUNE 1986-MAY 1987 PERIOD OF THE REPORT, DIEPGEN UNDERScoreD THE STRENGTHENING OF FRG-WEST BERLIN TIES, MANIFESTED FOR INSTANCE IN THE DECISION TO ESTABLISH AN FRG CULTURAL FOUNDATION IN BERLIN (DER TAGESSPIEGEL, BERLINER MORGENPOST).

. IN COMMEMORATING ERNST REUTER, WHO WAS ELECTED LORD MAYOR OF BERLIN 40 YEARS AGO TODAY, BERLIN SPD CHAIRMAN MOMPER DESCRIBED HIM AS A "SYMBOLIC FIGURE FOR THE BERLINERS' WILL FOR FREEDOM AFTER THE WAR." DURING THE 1948/49 BLOCKADE, REUTER STRENGTHENED THE BERLINERS' UNCLASSIFIED

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STAMINA AND MOBILIZED THE DEMOCRATIC WORLD (DER TAGESSPIEGEL ET AL).

. THE BERLIN-MOABIT PROSECUTOR IS INVESTIGATING THE 'SALE AT BERLIN NEWSPAPER STANDS OF THE APRIL 29, 1945 ISSUE OF THE NAZI PAPER "PLATED BEAR -- COMBAT PAPER FOR THE DEFENDERS OF GREATER BERLIN." THE COPIES WERE ORIGINALLY REPRINTED AS PART OF A HISTORICAL SERIES ON BERLIN NEWSPAPERS DURING THE PAST 200 YEARS. -- BERLIN JEWISH COMMUNITY CHAIRMAN GALINSKI DESCRIBED THE SALES AS A SCANDAL (DER TAGESSPIEGEL ET AL).

. INTERIOR SENATOR KEWENIG YESTERDAY SUBMITTED FOUR PROPOSALS FOR THE CITY'S SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL TO ROTATE POSTS ON A FIVE-YEAR BASIS (BERLINER MORGENPOST, VOLKSBLATT).

. THE 250 YOUNG AMERICANS, INVITED FOR BERLIN'S 750TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS, ARRIVED IN THE CITY ON

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TUESDAY. THEY WERE WELCOMED BY THE PATRON OF THE "BRIDGE OF YOUTH," WALTER LEISLER KIEP. U.S. MINISTER JOHN KORNBLUM WILL BRIEF THEM ON THE AMERICANS' ROLE IN BERLIN (BERLINER MORGENPOST PG.3).

. REHEARSALS FOR THE "BERLIN BRIGADE REVIEW" ARE ANNOUNCED FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW. THE PARADE WILL TAKE PLACE AT JULY 4TH SQUARE ON FRIDAY (DER TAGESSPIEGEL).

. DER TAGESSPIEGEL INCLUDES A PRESS TALK WITH SOVIET COSMONAUT PAVEL POPOVICH.

REVIEW - EAST PRESS

. THE EAST BERLIN TALKS ON TUESDAY OF SED CHIEF ERICH UNCLASSIFIED

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HONECKER WITH DR. ISRAEL MILLER, PRESIDENT OF THE "JEWISH CLAIMS CONFERENCE," IN WHICH THE SED CHIEF UNDERScoreD THE "ANTI-FASCIST CHARACTER OF THE SOCIALIST GERMAN STATE," IS THE MAIN TOPIC IN ALL PAPERS.

. THE PAPERS ALSO HEADLINE THE CONCLUSION OF CONSULTATIONS IN MOSCOW TUESDAY BETWEEN A GDR PARTY AND GOVERNMENT DELEGATION, UNDER POLITBURO MEMBER GUENTER MITTAG AND GDR PREMIER WILLI STOPH, AND A SOVIET DELEGATION, LED BY SOVIET PREMIER NIKOLAI RYSHKOV, WHICH AGREED ON CLOSER GDR-SOVIET COOPERATION IN KEY-TECHNOLOGIES (NEUES DEUTSCHLAND, BERLINER ZEITUNG, NATIONAL ZEITUNG); AND A CEREMONY AT THE BUCHENWALD CONCENTRATION CAMP MEMORIAL TUESDAY, ARRANGED BY THE EAST GERMAN CDU IN COMMEMORATION OF PASTOR PAUL SCHNEIDER, THE "PREACHER OF BUCHENWALD," KILLED THERE 48 YEARS AGO (NEUE ZEIT).

. OTHER FRONTPAGE STORIES INCLUDE THE ARRIVAL IN VIENNA TUESDAY OF A GDR MILITARY DELEGATION UNDER GDR NATIONAL DEFENSE MINISTER ARMY GENERAL HEINZ KESSLER, WHICH CARRIED OUT TALKS WITH AUSTRIAN DEFENSE MINISTER DR. ROBERT LICHTAL (NEUES DEUTSCHLAND); THE CONTINUATION TUESDAY IN EAST BERLIN OF THE UNESCO CONGRESS ON VOCATIONAL TRAINING (BERLINER ZEITUNG, NATIONAL ZEITUNG); THE OPENING IN DRESDEN TUESDAY OF THE 15TH TRAFFIC ASSEMBLY WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF 1,500 GDR EXPERTS AND GUESTS FROM 15 COUNTRIES, INCLUDING "BERLIN (WEST)" (NEUE ZEIT); AND TODAY'S OPENING OF THE 1987 EAST BERLIN CHURCH CONVENTION OF THE

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BERLIN-BRANDENBURG PROTESTANT CHURCH (NEUE ZEIT).
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. THE TASS/ADN PRESS RELEASE ON THE MOSCOW
CONSULTATIONS OF THE GDR AND SOVIET PARTY AND GOVERNMENT
DELEGATIONS REVEALS THAT BOTH SIDES AGREED ON DIRECT
RELATIONS BETWEEN SOVIET AND GDR ENTERPRISES AND
COMBINES, AND ON THE CREATION OF JOINT TECHNO-SCIENTIFIC

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COLLECTIVES AND INDUSTRY ENTERPRISES FOR THE SWIFT
PROMOTION OF BOTH COUNTRIES' ECONOMIES (ALL PAPERS).

. TASS PUBLISHED THE FULL TEXT OF THE SPEECH, WITH
WHICH CPSU CHIEF MIKHAIL GORBACHEV GREETED THE WORLD
CONGRESS OF WOMEN AT ITS OPENING IN MOSCOW TUESDAY.
CONVENING ARE DELEGATIONS FROM 154 COUNTRIES, DISCUSSING
THE SAFEGUARDING OF PEACE (NEUES DEUTSCHLAND AND
BERLINER ZEITUNG CARRY THE FULL TEXT OF THE GORBACHEV
REMARKS).

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. AN EXCHANGE OF IDEAS ON STRENGTHENING EUROPEAN
SECURITY AND THE TWO GERMAN STATES' RESPONSIBILITY IN
THIS MATTER TOOK PLACE IN EAST BERLIN TUESDAY BETWEEN
BREMEN SENATOR VOLKER KROENING AND TWO OTHER FRG MEMBERS
OF THE "ALTERNATIVE SECURITY POLICY" INTERNATIONAL
STUDIES GROUP AND MEMBERS OF THE GDR INSTITUTE FOR
INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND ECONOMICS (NEUES DEUTSCHLAND).

. FRG UNDER SECRETARY JUERGEN SUDHOFF RECEIVED
AMBASSADOR ERNST KRABATSCH OF THE GDR FOREIGN MINISTRY
IN BONN TUESDAY. SUDHOFF IS VISITING BONN FOR
CONSULTATIONS WITH AMBASSADOR DR. JOSEF HOLIK,
DISARMAMENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FRG GOVERNMENT (NEUE
ZEIT).

. GDR FOREIGN MINISTER OSKAR FISCHER RECEIVED IN EAST
BERLIN TUESDAY THE DELEGATION OF THE EUROPEAN
PARLIAMENT'S SOCIALIST CAUCUS, CALLING FOR COOPERATION
BETWEEN THE COMECON AND THE EC (NEUES DEUTSCHLAND ET AL)

. SED POLITBURO MEMBER HERMANN AXEN RECEIVED JACQUES
KOSCUISKO-MORIZET, NATIONAL SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN
RELATIONS OF THE FRENCH RPR PARTY, IN EAST BERLIN
TUESDAY. HE EXPLAINED THE STANDPOINT OF THE FRENCH
GOVERNMENT AND OF RPR ON INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS,
UNDERSCORING THAT THE RPR, AS ONE OF THE FRENCH
GOVERNMENT PARTIES, STRIVES FOR THE CONTINUATION OF
GENERAL DE GAULLE'S PRINCIPLES OF UNDERSTANDING, DETENTE
AND COOPERATION (BERLINER ZEITUNG).

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HAMADEI EXTRADITION

. THE INDEPENDENT-CONSERVATIVE BERLINER MORGENPOST IN A PAGE-TWO EDITORIAL SAYS: "NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT IT: THE FRG GOVERNMENT ALLOWED ITSELF TO BE BLACKMAILED BY THE SHIIT EXTREMIST HISBOLLAH ORGANIZATION, WHICH ABDUCTED FRG CITIZENS CORDES AND SCHMIDT IN LEBANON IN JANUARY TO PRESS FOR THE RELEASE OF HAMADEI. THE FRG GOVERNMENT DECIDED IN FAVOR OF HUMANITY AND AGAINST THE

REASON OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL STATE. SHOULD ANYONE BE BLAMED FOR THIS? BONN'S BEHAVIOR, AT ANY RATE, CERTAINLY IS NOT A CONTRIBUTION TO EFFECTIVELY FIGHTING INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM.

. "INITIALLY BONN GOVERNMENT CIRCLES HAD HOPED THAT THE TWO GERMAN HOSTAGES WOULD BE SET FREE THE MOMENT THE FRG GOVERNMENT REFUSED TO EXTRADITE HAMADEI TO THE U.S. THIS HOPE HAS DIMINISHED. THE KIDNAPPERS WILL RELEASE THEIR GERMAN HOSTAGES ONLY AFTER HAMADEI IS EXPELLED HAVING SERVED A RELATIVELY SHORT TERM IN PRISON. THE WHOLE MATTER SMACKS OF HORSE TRADING."

ABDUCTED AMERICAN JOURNALIST GLASS

. THE INDEPENDENT DER TAGESSPIEGEL IN A FRONTPAGE EDITORIAL SAYS: "GLASS, WHO FORMERLY WORKED IN BEIRUT AND HELD A SENSATIONAL INTERVIEW WITH ONE OF THE HIJACKERS OF THE TWA AIRLINER WITH WHOM HAMADEI WAS ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED ...TRUSTED SYRIAN ASSURANCES.

. "IT DOUBTLESS REPRESENTS AN AT LEAST EQUITABLE

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PROVOCATION OF THE SYRIANS THAT, ALONG WITH GLASS AND A DRIVER, THE SON OF SHI'ITE LEBANESE DEFENSE MINISTER USSEIRAN WAS KIDNAPPED AND SO FAR HAS NOT BEEN RELEASED. THE SHI'ITES HAVE BEEN LONG-STANDING ALLIES COF THE SYRIANS AS A PARTY IN THE LEBANESE CIVIL WAR. EVEN IF THE KIDNAPPERS WANTED TO KEEP USSEIRAN ONLY AS A PAWN FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH SYRIAN OFFICIALS ON CONTINUED DETENTION OF THE AMERICAN HOSTAGE, DAMASCUS COULD NOT PERMIT SUCH AN EMBARRASSMENT DAMASCUS, THEREFORE, RAISED ITS ULTIMATUM DEMANDS TO THE KIDNAPPERS TO RELEASE ALL THREE MEN IMMEDIATELY....

. "THIS TIME THE SYRIANS SEEM TO MEAN BUSINESS. OTHERWISE THEY RISK FORFEITING THEIR PRESTIGE AS A REGIONAL POWER WHICH CAN MAINTAIN ORDER. THIS PRESTIGE HAS BEEN DAMAGED THROUGH THE NUMEROUS RECENT BOMB
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ATTACKS AND THE MURDER OF PREMIER KARAME. THUS IT MAY COME IN HANDY FOR THE SYRIANS TO FIND A REASON FOR ACTION AGAINST THE PRO-IRANIAN HISBOLLAH, WHICH MAINTAINS ITS BASE IN THE SLUMS OF WEST BEIRUT'S SOUTH. THE SYRIANS SO FAR HAVE NOT EXERCISED THEIR LAW-AND-ORDER ROLE IN THAT AREA, PRESUMABLY FOR FEAR OF RISKING CONFLICT WITH TEHRAN. SYRIA'S ALLIANCE WITH TEHRAN IS NO LONGER FREE OF TENSION."

FRANCE AND EUROPEAN SECURITY

. THE INDEPENDENT DER TAGESSPIEGEL, IN A REPORT BY ITS PARIS CORRESPONDENT UWE KARSTEN PETERSEN, SAYS: "THE FRG'S AGREEMENT TO THE SOVIET-AMERICAN DISARMAMENT PLANS CAUSED FRANCE TO ADD NEW IMPULSES TO FRANCO-GERMAN RELATIONS AND EUROPEAN POLICY. WHETHER RIGHT OR WRONG, FRANCE FEARS THAT THE WEST GERMANS, UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF THE GREENS, PACIFISTS, SOCIAL-DEMOCRATS AND LIBERALS, WOULD DEMAND THE REUNIFICATION OF THE TWO PARTS OF GERMANY AND GERMANY'S NEUTRALITY AS 'COMPENSATION' FOR QUITTING NATO AND THE WESTERN ALLIANCE.

. "FRG CHANCELLOR KOHL'S REPEATED CONFIRMATIONS THAT SUCH AN AVENUE IS OUT OF THE QUESTION FOR THE FRG BECAUSE IT IS IRREVOCABLY PART OF THE FREE WESTERN WORLD MEET WITH SKEPTICISM IN PARIS. FRENCH DOUBTERS SAY THAT EVEN KOHL IS BOUND BY THE WILL OF A MAJORITY OF VOTERS. ADDITIONALLY, THE AVERAGE FRENCHMAN AND FRENCH POLITICIANS CONSIDER IT NORMAL AND NATURAL THAT THE GERMANS INSIST ON REUNIFICATION....

. "IN CONTRAST TO BONN, PARIS DOES NOT RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT AMERICA ONE DAY MAY TURN ITS BACK ON EUROPE, GIVING UP ITS ROLE AS A PROTECTIVE POWER. IN UNCLASSIFIED

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FRENCH EYES, THIS COULD BECOME THE CASE WHEN EUROPE NO LONGER IS AMERICA'S PRIMARY ECONOMIC PARTNER. WHEN THE OLD CONTINENT IS REPLACED IN THAT FUNCTION BY OTHER REGIONS OF THE EARTH, IT IS ONLY LOGICAL THAT AMERICA CHANGES ITS DEFENSE STRATEGY AND, ACCORDING TO ITS NEW ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL INTERESTS, SPREADS ITS MILITARY UMBRELLA OVER THOSE REGIONS, BOTH POLITICIANS AND MILITARY LEADERS ARGUE IN FRANCE.

. "THIS CAUSES THEM TO SUPPORT CLOSE MILITARY

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COOPERATION AMONG THE WEST EUROPEAN NATIONS LEST, AFTER A FEARED LOSS OF THE AMERICAN PROTECTIVE UMBRELLA, FRANCE WILL NOT BE HELPLESSLY EXPOSED TO THE POWER POLICY OF THE SOVIET UNION. THE FRENCH INCREASINGLY EMPHASIZE, MUCH TO THE ANNOYANCE OF THE COMMUNISTS, THAT FRENCH AND BRITISH NUCLEAR WEAPONS MUST HAVE A PLACE IN ANY FUTURE EUROPEAN DEFENSE CONCEPT IN ORDER TO ENSURE ITS CREDIBILITY AND DETERRENT EFFECT."

. PRO-SPD VOLKSBLATT, DISCUSSING CDU/CSU BUNDESTAG CAUCUS LEADER DREGGER'S IDEAS ON INCORPORATING THE FRENCH NUCLEAR MISSILES INTO AN ALL-EUROPEAN DEFENSE, ON PAGE FOUR SAYS: "ONLY THE MOST NAIVE CONTEMPORARIES CAN SERIOUSLY BELIEVE THAT DREGGER SIMPLY WANTS TO PUT THE FRG UNDER ALTERNATIVE, FRENCH PROTECTION. THE ACCOMPANYING TEXTS ON THE INCREASING 'EUROPEANIZATION' OF DEFENSE INSTEAD INDICATE THAT HIS SECRET HOPE IS TO GAIN SOONER OR LATER A FOOTHOLD FOR GERMANY IN A EUROPEAN NUCLEAR FORCE AFTER ALL, WITH THE HELP OF FRANCE (AND GREAT BRITAIN?)....

. "EUROPE'S VITAL INTEREST, HOWEVER, IS TO ELIMINATE

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ALSO THOSE FRENCH MISSILES WHOSE RANGE DOES NOT EXCEED
INTO FRG TERRITORY."

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NUCLEAR TEST BAN NECESSARY

. THE NDP ORGAN NATIONAL ZEITUNG ON PAGE THREE SAYS
THAT DUE TO THE SOVIET NUCLEAR TEST MORATORIUM, THE
LOWEST NUMBER OF NUCLEAR TESTS IN GENERAL TOOK PLACE IN
THE PAST YEAR. "DESPITE WASHINGTON'S NEGATIVE ATTITUDE,
THE INTERNATIONAL INTEREST IN A NUCLEAR TEST BAN REMAINS
GREAT.... AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SUMMER TERM OF THE
GENEVA DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE, THE SOVIET REPRESENTATIVE
PRESENTED BASIC SUGGESTIONS FOR A NUCLEAR TEST BAN
TREATY AS A JOINT DOCUMENT OF THE SOCIALIST STATES....

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NOW, A CONSTRUCTIVE REPLY IS AWAITED FROM THE U.S. AND
THEIR NATO ALLIES, WHOSE DOCTRINE IS STILL BASED ON
DETERRENT AND A FIRST STRIKE WITH NUCLEAR MEANS."

THE U.S. PREVENTION OF THE GUATEMALA CITY SUMMIT

. THE NDP ORGAN NATIONAL ZEITUNG ON PAGE THREE HOLDS
THE U.S. RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FACT THAT THE CENTRAL
AMERICAN SUMMIT IN GUATEMALA CITY IS NOT TAKING PLACE:
"THE WILL OF THE COUNTRIES CONCERNED -- GUATEMALA,
HONDURAS, EL SALVADOR, NICARAGUA AND COSTA RICA -- TO
SOLVE THEIR OWN PROBLEMS UPSET THE WHITE HOUSE NO END.
SUCH 'AUTONOMY' IN THAT PART OF THE WORLD, WHICH
WASHINGTON CLAIMS AS ITS DOMAIN, COULD NOT BE

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TOLERATED....

. "ALTHOUGH THE U.S. SUCCEEDED ONCE AGAIN IN WARDING OFF THE ALLEGED DANGER, ITS DILEMMA REMAINS. IT STILL HAS NO SUGGESTION FOR A POLITICAL SOLUTION... THE STRATEGIC DEFEAT OF THE CONTRAS' GANGS, SUPPORTED WITH MILLIONS OF U.S. DOLLARS..., MAKES THE LACK OF PERSPECTIVE OF THE PRESENT WASHINGTON POSITION EVEN CLEARER."

THE INCIDENT IN THE GULF

. THE NDPD ORGAN NATIONAL ZEITUNG, AGAIN ON PAGE THREE, REMARKS: "THE ERRONEOUS FIRING AT AN AMERICAN BATTLESHIP IN THE GULF FINALLY SEEMED TO OFFER THE PENTAGON STRATEGISTS THE PROPER PUBLIC CLIMATE FOR SABRE-RATTLING. PROMPTLY, THE U.S. BATTLESHIPS IN THE GULF BETWEEN IRAN AND THE ARAB PENINSULA WERE STRENGTHENED.... WASHINGTON'S ALLIES WERE TEMPTED TO BECOME MILITARILY ACTIVE IN THE GULF. GREAT BRITAIN, UNCLASSIFIED

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FRANCE AND JAPAN, HOWEVER, UNMISTAKABLY MADE CLEAR THAT THEY ARE NOT INTERESTED IN ADVENTURES AT SEA....POLITICAL OBSERVERS AGREE THAT WHAT IS NECESSARY NOW IS CALMNESS...."

THE NEW YORK CASE OF SELF-JUSTICE

. THE NDPD ORGAN NATIONAL ZEITUNG, STILL ON PAGE THREE, CARRIES A COMMENTARY ENTITLED: "IS JUSTICE DEPENDENT ON THE COLOR OF THE SKIN?," THUS REFERRING TO THE CASE OF A NEW YORKER WHO WAS ACQUITTED ALTHOUGH HE SHOT TO DEATH FOUR BLACK YOUNGSTERS IN A NEW YORK SUBWAY IN DECEMBER 1984. "THE VERDICT CAN BE CONSIDERED AN EXPRESSION OF REVIVED RACISM IN THE U.S. DURING THE PAST SIX YEARS, THE NUMBER OF RACIST ASSAULTS INCREASED BY 33 PER CENT. AND IN REALITY THERE IS NOT MUCH TO THE LEGALLY ESTABLISHED EQUALITY OF ALL CITIZENS. THE DISADVANTAGES FOR RACIAL MINORITIES ON JOB AND IN SOCIETY REMAIN OBVIOUS...." KORNBLUM

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